



Montana Office of Public Instruction
Montana DR.I.V.E. Summer Workshops
Driver In-Vehicle Education
2009 FACT SHEET

- ◆ The OPI Advanced Driver Education Program began in Lewistown during the summer of 1979
- ◆ **2009** is the **THIRTY FIRST** year of operation
- ◆ **11,570** people were TRAINED at the close of the **2008** program,
- ◆ On June 9, 2006 we trained the 10,000th participant
- ◆ This year, approximately **500** DRIVERS will be trained
- ◆ Workshops cover: Techniques for Crash Avoidance - SKID CONTROL, OFF-ROAD RECOVERY, EVASIVE STEERING, CONTROLLED BRAKING, AND CORNERING; Vehicle Dynamics; Driving Task Analysis; Vehicle Occupant Restraint Systems; Tires; Road Design; Defensive Driving and Visual Perceptual Skills
- ◆ FLEET – Includes sedans, school buses, an ambulance, fire truck, Skid Monster, suburban, 15 - passenger van and dump truck
- ◆ REGISTRATION FEES are: **\$275** One day; **\$160** Half day
- ◆ STAFF includes 12 PROFESSIONAL Instructors
- ◆ In 1939, the military paved over 3 MILES of RUNWAYS in Lewistown to train bomber pilots at this site. In 2004, the track was improved and resurfaced.
- ◆ FERGUS County owns the land
- ◆ CO-SPONSORS ARE: Montana Office of Public Instruction; Montana Traffic Education Association; Montana Department of Transportation; Montana Department of Justice; MSU-Northern; Lewistown Airport and Fergus County Commissioners
- ◆ USERS INCLUDE: School bus drivers, MDT and other state agencies, emergency medical services, firefighters, Montana Office of Public Instruction, Sports Car Club of America, Porsche Club, Montana Motorcycle Safety Education Program, the Lewistown Raceway and Western Transportation Institute
- ◆ Program initially DEVELOPED AT the GM Proving Grounds
- ◆ Program is primarily SUPPORTED by USER Fees
- ◆ CALL (406) 444-4432 to enroll. CALL 538-8939 to reach facility
- ◆ PARTICIPATION is open to all drivers of cars, trucks and buses on a first-come, first-served basis

